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SUBJECT: VISIT TO U.S. OF DR. PAULO NOGUEIRA, SPECIAL SECRETARY
FOR ENVIRONMENT

REF: STATE 158578

1. EMBASSY APPRECIATES DEPARTMENT'S INITIATIVE IN
ARRANGING PROGRAM FOR DR. NOGUEIRA DURING HIS VISIT TO
WASHINGTON AUGUST 7-8. DR. NOGUEIRA NOTIFIED OF PROGRAM
ARRANGED AND HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION.

2. IN ADDITION TO VISITING WASHINGTON NOGUEIRA WILL
VISIT NEW YORK AND AUSTIN FOR A FEW DAYS EACH. IN
NEW YORK HE WISHES A FREE DAY TO VISIT COLLEAGUES AT THE
AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY. ON ANOTHER DAY
WOULD BE INTERESTED IN VISITING LOCATIONS AND PEOPLE
WHERE HE CAN OBSERVE AND DISCUSS COASTLINE ENVIRONMENTAL
CONTROL MEASURES AND RECREATIONAL BEACHES. PROGRAM
INTERESTS IN AUSTIN NOT KNOWN, BUT CAN BE DISCUSSED WITH
DR. NOGUEIRA WHEN HE CONSULTS WITH PROGRAM OFFICER IN
DEPARTMENT.

3. DR. NOGUEIRA IS DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE TO THE MINISTER
OF INTERIOR. THE NEWLY-CREATED OFFICE HE HEADS HAS
PRIMARILY COORDINATING RATHER THAN EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS.
IT IS A WATCH-DOG SORT OF OPERATION WHICH WORKS THROUGH
FEDERAL, STATE, AND MUNICIPAL ENTITIES. IN HIS NEW JOB
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DR. NOGUEIRA WILL BE PROPOSING NEW LEGISLATION, WORKING ON

NEW CONCEPTS, AND ASSISTING OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES
SUCH AS THE NEWLY-CREATED URBAN POLICY COMMISSION.

4. HIS MAIN FIELD OF INTEREST IS CONSERVATION. SINCE
HIS APPOINTMENT AS SPECIAL SECRETARY FOR ENVIRONMENT HE
HAS BECOME DEEPLY INTERESTED IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS
RELATED TO BEACHES AND SEWAGE. BEFORE REQUESTING
A STAG IN THIS SPECIALIZATION(SEE BRASILIA A-83) USIS
OFFICERS DISCUSSED THE PROGRAM WITH DR. NOGUEIRA.

5. DR. NOGUEIRA IS NOW IN MEXICO ATTENDING AN INTER-
AMERICAN MEETING. WHILE THERE HE CAN BE REACHED THROUGH
THE BRAZILIAN AMBASSADOR OR AT THE MARIA ISABEL HOTEL.
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